
HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING CONGRESS TO ENACT NECESSARY LEGISLATION TO ALLOW
QUALIFIED PATIENTS TO TRANSPORT MEDICAL MARIJUANA AND
PARAPHERNALIA FOR PERSONAL USE WHEN TRAVELING INTRASTATE OR
INTERSTATE.

1 WHEREAS, part IX of chapter 329, Hawaii Revised Statutes,
2 permits qualifying patients to obtain written certification for
3 the medical use of marijuana; and
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5 WHEREAS, such certification permits qualifying patients to
6 acquire, possess, cultivate, use, distribute, or transport
7 marijuana for personal use to alleviate symptoms or effects of
8 debilitating medical conditions; and
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10 WHEREAS, Hawaii's qualifying patients who wish to travel to
11 destinations within the United States are typically required to
12 travel by air; and
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14 WHEREAS, qualifying patients traveling by air must be
15 screened by federal Transportation Safety Administration (TSA)
16 security officers; and
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18 WHEREAS, since medical use of marijuana is not recognized
19 under federal law, TSA screening may lead to the confiscation of
20 medical marijuana and the arrest of qualifying patients; now,
21 therefore,
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23 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
24 Twenty-fifth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
25 of 2009, that the United States Congress is requested to enact
26 necessary legislation to allow qualified patients to transport
27 medical marijuana and paraphernalia for personal use when
28 traveling intrastate or interstate; and



1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
2 Resolution be transmitted to the President of the United States
3 Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of
4 Representatives, and Hawaii's congressional delegation.

